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BOYD WORKS TO HELP RURAL AMERICA

Legislation supports the Universal Service Fund and the avail	ilability and	affordability of c
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WASHINGTON, D.C.-Congressman Allen Boyd (D-North Florida) last night pushed through an amendm

The amendment preserves the Federal Communications Commission's authority to require Voice over In

"Rural America cannot be left behind when it comes to national policy decisions," said Congressman Bo

The Universal Service Fund was created to offset the added costs of providing telephone services to rur

- Assist communications providers with building and maintaining networks in high cost rural areas in
- Help low-income Americans who would otherwise be unable to afford telephone service.
- Provide support to schools and libraries so they can receive affordable access to telecommunication
- Equip public and non-profit rural healthcare providers with timely access to telecommunications se

"Throughout rural America, the USF is allowing small communities to address their needs while still main

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